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Good afternoon CAPT Ceraolo et al,

Please find the following situation summary of multi-agency actions for the R/V SPIRIT OF SACRAMENTO response.

IMPORTANT: This brief is for internal briefing purposes only and not intended for external distribution.

SITUATION - 26 September 2016

BLUF: Dive operations to install larger softeners on the vessel per SERTs recommendation will commence Tuesday 27 September 2016 at 0630. Crane DB GENERAL is due to arrive in Vallejo at 1200 with operations commencing immediately thereafter. The Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund has been increased to \$2,000,000.00. The total project cost to date is \$460,000.00.

At approximately 0025 local on 04 September 2016, Coast Guard Sector San Francisco received notification R/V SPIRIT OF SACRAMENTO was taking on water from the stern and that the engine room was actively flooding. The 87 foot vessel was in the vicinity of Franks Track near Bethel Island. Coast Guard Station Rio Vista responded and ensured the two persons on board made it safely ashore. Six hundred gallons of diesel fuel was reported on board. No sheen or active discharge was observed by Station Rio Vista. The vessel was reported to be partially submerged and anchored but was not deemed to be a hazard to navigation. The Sector San Francisco Incident Management Division (IMD) was unable to reach the owner and issued a Notice of Federal Interest (NOFI) via voice mail. Due to the time of the incident, safety concerns for response personnel and no available resources, the IMD duty team was not able to get on scene until later that morning. At 1030 local the vessel was capsized and upside down in the water; a small sheen was observed. The vessel owner was still unreachable. Due to the proximity of sensitive sites, the pollution potential and complexity of the response, the SPIRIT OF SACRAMENTO was determined to be a significant risk to the environment, and the FOSC authorized access to the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund (OSLTF) for \$100,000. Global Diving and Salvage Inc. (Global) was hired to

deploy boom and conduct pollution mitigation operations. There are no known impacts to wildlife or sensitive sites at this time. A safety zone is in place. The vessel's orientation has shifted from inverted to lying on its starboard side submerged. An estimated one gallon of oil was observed within the containment boom that was recovered using sorbent pads, and an estimated total of 4 gallons of unrecoverable sheen has been observed.

ACTIONS TAKEN -

1. A Planning Meeting was held today to discuss actions moving forward in phase III of the response. Incident action plan approval from all 5 UC members (USCG, EPA, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California Department of Fish and Wildlife OSPR, and Contra Costa County Sheriff's Department) was granted. The phase III IAP will cover vessel lifting, refloating and dewater operations and transit to the Army Corps' facility in Sausalito.

2. A decision memo stating the responsibilities for each UC agency after the vessel has been raised is currently being reviewed.

3. See attached updated situation brief.

FUTURE PLANS -

1. A Media Plan is currently being developed to accommodate media interest the day of the lifting operation.

2. Phase III operations is scheduled to begin on the morning of Wednesday, 28 September 2016.

3. An observer site visit from UC member agencies is also being coordinated for the day of the lifting operation.

4. A waterway closure IVO Franks Tract will commence Wednesday morning and is scheduled for one week.

MEDIA INTEREST -

1. The most up to date press release went out 15 September 16 and is available at <http://www.uscgnews.com/go/doc/4007/2882730/>.

WEATHER OUTLOOK -

1. Tonight
Clear, with a low around 61. West northwest wind 8 to 11 mph.

2. Tuesday
Sunny, with a high near 90. South wind around 6 mph becoming light and variable in the morning.

3. Tuesday Night
Clear, with a low around 58. West wind 5 to 10 mph.

4. Wednesday
Sunny, with a high near 85. West wind around 6 mph becoming calm in the morning.

5. Wednesday Night

Clear, with a low around 56.

6. Thursday

Sunny, with a high near 80.

7. Thursday Night

Mostly clear, with a low around 53.

8. Friday

Sunny, with a high near 76.

Very respectfully,

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